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Joint Firefighter Integrated Response Ensemble

Synopsis

This A-Gram provides operational and procedural changes for the Joint Fire Integrated Response Ensemble (J-FIRE).

Program Description

The J-FIRE allows firefighters to conduct firefighting and rescue operations in areas that are imminently dangerous to life and health during expeditionary and wartime contingencies in chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) environments. The J-FIRE is composed of a chemical protective over-garment, firefighting proximity gear, and a self-contained breathing apparatus.

Program Changes

Responding to firefighters' desire to enhance the health, safety and effectiveness of firefighters, it was necessary to modify certain J-FIRE procedures for operating in CBRN environments.

Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP) levels for the J-FIRE have been changed to enhance firefighter response capabilities. New donning procedures allow firefighters to transition directly from MOPP 1 to MOPP 4. These procedures were tested and validated by the 28th Test Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla. These changes have eliminated the need for firefighters to wear proximity trousers the entire shift, thereby reducing firefighter fatigue and wear & tear on firefighter gear.

	MOPP 0	MOPP 1	MOPP 4	MOPP 4 (Firefighting Mode)
JSLIST	Carried	Worn	Worn	Worn
Nomex Hood	Carried	Worn	Worn	Worn
Proximity Trousers	Carried	Carried	Worn	Worn
Firefighting Protective Footwear	Carried	Carried	Worn	Worn
Interspiro CW Mask	Carried	Carried	Worn	Worn
Fire & Chemical Protection Gloves	Carried	Carried	Worn	Worn
Proximity Coat	Carried	Carried	Carried	Worn
ARFF Protective Helmet	Carried	Carried	Carried	Worn
Interspiro SCBA	Carried	Carried	Carried	Worn

The J-FIRE Technical Order, T.O. 14P3-1-181, has been revised to reflect the new operating procedures and other technical changes. The Silver Flag curriculum and readiness training package C15 reflect the new procedures. MAJCOM fire offices have received new J-FIRE training CD-ROMs and VHS tapes for distribution to the bases.

AFMAN 32-4005, Personal Protection and Attack Actions, is currently under revision and will reflect J-FIRE modifications when published. The new procedures will appear in the next edition of AFMAN 10-100, the Airman's Manual.

Accessibility

For further information, visit the Air Force Fire and Emergency Services Community of Practice at <http://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/ASPs/CoP/EntryCoP.asp?Filter=OO-EN-CE-10>.